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## WIRELESS TELECOMUNICATIONS BUREAU ALLOWING TEMPORARY CONTINUED USE OF FCC FORM 820 (APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM SHIP STATION REQUIREMENTS) DURING THE TRANSITION TO FCC FORM 605.

FCC Form 820, "Application for Exemption from Ship Station Requirements" is filed when exemptions from radio provisions of statute, treaty or international agreement are requested.

The Commission has implemented a Universal Licensing System (ULS) which combined 11 separate databases into one common system. The continued use of FCC Form 820 is temporary. In the future, applicants and licensees in the Maritime Services will be required to file via ULS on FCC Form 605 (including Schedule G) to apply for an exemption from ship Station Requirements in the ship Radio Services.

This Public Notice is to announce that the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will continue to accept FCC Form 820 during the transition to the FCC Form 605. The FCC Form 820 must be filed with FCC Form 159 Fee Admittance Advice Form and the appropriate fee. Information concerning the fees can be found on our web site at http://wireless.fcc.gov/csinfo/feeinfo.html.

The Wireless Telecommunication Bureau will release a Public Notice in the near future concerning the transition to FCC Form 605, Schedule G.

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